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EXAMINER INTERVIEW SUMMARY RECORD

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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Type: ☐ Telephonic ☒ Personal (copy is given to ☐ applicant ☒ applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: ☐ Yes ☒ No. If yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

Agreement ☐ was reached with respect to some or all of the claims in question. ☒ was not reached.

Claims discussed: 20 + 27

Identification of prior art discussed: Norvell 5,454,471

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Mr. Daley

offered that heating the case by inserting the heater and applying AC power is novel. Further search and consideration will be needed. Suggested amendment attached.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

☐ Since the examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action.

Examiner's Signature

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## AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the outstanding Office Action mailed November 20, 2000.

Entry of the following Amendment and reconsideration of the outstanding rejection are requested.

### In the Claims

Please cancel claims 27 and 28.

Please amend claim 20 as follows:

20.(Thrice Amended) A method for transporting cooked pizza, the method comprising steps of:

- (a) providing a case having walls defining an interior volume, an opening for accessing said interior volume, a flap for covering said opening, and a cover within said interior volume for providing a sub-chamber, said walls defining an interior volume comprise a top wall, a bottom wall, side walls, and a rear wall, and wherein each wall and the flap comprises pliable fabric layers with thermal insulation contained between said pliable fabric layers;

(b) placing a thermal storage assembly within said sub-chamber between the bottom wall and the cover within said interior volume for providing a sub-chamber, said thermal storage assembly comprising:

- (i) a heat retention member for absorbing and retaining heat and for releasing said heat over extended periods of time;
- (ii) a heating coil assembly in thermally conductive contact with said heat retention member;
- (iii) a sealed container for containing said heat retention member and said heating coil; and
- (iv) a power cord for providing electrical connectivity between a power source and said heating coil, said power cord extending into said sealed container; [and]

~~(c) heating the thermal storage assembly within the sub-chamber by energizing the~~  
heating coil by providing [electrical connectivity] alternating current between the power source and the heating coil via the power cord; and

(d) placing a box containing cooked pizza within said interior volume by moving said box containing cooked pizza through said opening for accessing said interior volume.

Respectfully submitted,

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